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In re Application of:

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Serial No. 09/470,009

Filed: December 22, 1999

For: Non-Metal Reinforcing Mandrel

Examiner: Lam, A.

Art Unit: 3763

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This preliminary amendment pertains to the above-referenced patent application No. 09/470,009, originally filed December 22, 1999. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered prior to examination.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please substitute the following paragraphs in the specification as indicated.

Replace the first full paragraph on page 4, beginning on line 3 with:

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

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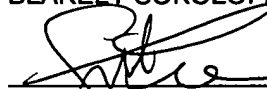
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